GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4338
ANSWERED ON:12.08.2002
SARDAR SAROVAR DAM
SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to raise the height of Sardar Sarovar Dam; and

(b) if so, the basis on which the height is being raised and its likely implications thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) As per the directions of Supreme Court, Action Plan finalised by the Narmada Control Authority (NCA), envisages the construction of the dam height upto EL 138.68 by June, 2005.

v (b) N.C.A. is to give permission from time to time for raising the Dam height beyond EL 90 m. keeping in view the Rehabilitation & Resettlement (R& R)and Environment safeguard measures. For this purpose the necessary clearances are given by the R&R Sub-group & Environment Sub-Group. The Dam on completion will provide Drinking Water Supply, irrigation & Power benefits to the party States.